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Commissioner
Food and Drug Administration
HF-1 5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

October 10, 1999

Dear Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration,

I am writing to ask that you require the labeling of all genetically engineered foods. Such foods can be very dangerous to consumers who will be unable to avoid substances to which they may have life-threatening allergies. (Such as soy beans with nut genes.) They are also very destructive to the environment, killing pollinating insects and causing the development of "super bugs" that are resistant to natural pest controls.

Furthermore, the consumption of genetically engineered foods, especially vegetables containing animal genes, violate the religious dietary laws and ethical precepts of many people. No one should be forced to consume such foods without their knowledge or consent. Labeling genetically engineered foods will allow people to make their own choices, and should be required.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Trauner

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